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Treasurer's Report.

Report of the treasurer of the town of Bath, N. H., for the year ending Feb. 15th, 1898.

Receipts.

Balance from last year	\$ 33 81
J. G. Marston, collector	5,919 67
F. M. Leighton, collector	333 90
C. W. Jackman, town clerk, for dogs licensed	100 00
Moody Marston, selectman, county pauper bill	57 55
Boston & Maine railroad, land damage	50 00
A. J. Leighton, over payment	6 40
Thomas N. Elliott, tax sale, 1897	14 06
Myrtie P., Caroline E. and Mabel S. Conant, tax sale, 1895	53 23
W. M. Rollins, tax sale, 1897	6 70
Horace N. Phelps, tax sale, 1896	9 92
F. P. Chamberlain, tax sale, 1897	10 00
Money hired by town	4,500 00
William Simonds' estate	500 00
G. E. Davenport, town liquor agent	701 25
State treasurer, R. R. tax	\$136 49
State treasurer, S. B. tax	501 29
State treasurer, literary fund	104 16
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	741 94
State treasurer, bounty on hawks	14 75
Interest on Hutchins legacy	60 00
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	\$13,113 18

Disbursements.

Pauper bills	\$ 271 41
Abatements	73 66
Highways and bridges	3,915 34
Town and school district officers	381 75
Schools and school purposes	2,950 14
Town liquor agency	747 25
Town note and interest	1,537 50
State tax	1,005 00
County tax	1,237 89
Library trustees	110 30
Taxes bid off for town	230 48
Miscellaneous bills	579 34
Cash on hand Feb. 15th, 1898	73 12
	<hr/> \$13,113 18

The selectmen have given written orders for all the above payments.

Of the highway bills there was about \$2,000.00 used directly to repair the damage caused by the freshet of last July.

The town was obliged to hire \$1,500.00 in April to use during the summer, but this has since been paid.

In the summer the town hired \$3,000.00 giving two notes of \$1,500.00 each, running to Nelson Bailey, cashier, one payable in one year, and one in two years at four per cent. interest payable annually; this money was used for highway bills, and for paying the note given in April.

Abatements are for non-resident persons, over-taxation, water troughs, etc.

Indebtedness.

Coupons outstanding	\$ 10 00
Orders outstanding	89 90
Town notes	3,000 00
	<hr/> \$3,099 90

Assets.

Due from real estate bid off by town	\$ 215 14
Due from John G. Marston, collector	1,935 46
Due from county	144 95
Due from Boston & Maine railroad	22 50
Cash	73 12
Indebtedness over assets. Feb. 15th. 1898, not counting amount due from Fall River Paper Co.	708 73
	\$3,099 90

The town has paid \$917 for repairs on Swiftwater bridge, and Bungy road. This damage was largely caused by the Fall Mountain Paper Co., logs at the time of the July freshet; therefore, the Fall Mountain Paper Co. ought to be holden for this amount. They have been given legal notice as required by law of their liability for this sum, and it is expected they will pay it, although no definite agreement has been made yet.

Of course there should be some allowance made for abatements from the amount due from collector, as there are usually some given.

Trust Funds.

The town has in its possession three legacies which it holds in trust. The Hutchins legacy consists of three bonds of \$500 each. They are invested so that the town receives four per cent. interest from them. The Hibbard legacy of \$1,000, and the Simonds legacy of \$500 the town has used, and given notes for these sums running to the town treasurer, and the town pays four per cent. interest on them. It was done in this way so as to carry out the conditions of the wills.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

HARRY H. HALL, Treasurer.

I hereby certify that I have examined the accounts of the selectmen, collector, and treasurer for the year ending February 15th, 1898, and find them properly vouched and correctly cast, and the foregoing report is in accordance therewith.

C. C. FOSTER, Auditor.

Bath, N. H., February 15, 1898.

Auditor's Report.

The Auditor of the town of Bath, having carefully examined the accounts of the treasurer, selectmen, tax collector and library trustees, respectfully submits the report of the disbursements in detail for the year ending February 15, 1898.

The treasurer's books show the total receipts of the year to be \$13,113.18.

Total amount of orders given, as per order book, \$13,075.11.

Highways and Bridges.

RICHARD SAWYER.

Disbursements.

1897

Feb.	Richard Sawyer, thirty-nine hours, team, twenty-seven hours	\$ 9 85
	Tracy Sawyer, seventeen hours	2 50
	George Howland, one day	1 50
	J. M. Nutter	1 12
	H. Burbank	1 12
Mar.	Richard Sawyer, thirty hours, team, three hours	5 40
	Tracy Sawyer, two days	3 00
	R. Cross	50
	Harry Tewksbury	1 20
	L. G. Thayer	1 72
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		\$27 91
Aug. 29	Order given	\$27 91

N. E. RUTLEDGE.

1897

Mar.	Man and team, five hours	\$ 1 50
Apr.	Self, fourteen hours, man and team seven hours	3 97
	Warren Blair, labor and lumber	1 60
	One hundred and eight feet of plank	1 08
May	Self, nine days, man, ten days and team	46 35
	E. C. Gitchell, man and teams, six days	18 00
	Board of E. C. Gitchell's horses	3 50
	Will Greenwood, six days	9 00
	Dan Bedell	1 50
	Warren Blair	1 50
	Repairs on machine	35
June	Self, sixty-two hours, men, seventy hours. teams, seventy-five hours	33 45
	Joe Roberts, five days	7 50
	Ned Davis, five days	7 50
	W. Mason, three and one-half days	5 25
	W. P. Johnson, man and teams	6 00
	Wheel scraper	2 00
	Bridge stringer	75
	Twenty-two cedar posts	2 20
	Three hundred and ten feet of plank	3 10
	Fifteen pounds of spike	45
	Eight poles for railing	1 50
	Frank Roberts, one day	1 50
July	Self, forty-five hours, men, fifty-three hours. team fifty-eight hours	26 55
	H. C. Carbee and man	13 50
	E. C. Gitchell, man and four horses, two days	10 50
	Charles Hazen	60
	Fred Roberts	45
	One hundred and eleven pounds wire, five pounds spike	3 20
	Twenty-five cedar posts	2 50
	Three hundred and twenty-five feet plank	3 25
	Stringer for bridge	1 00

Aug.	Self, twenty-one hours, man and team, ninety-nine hours	32 85
	H. C. Carbee, man, eighty-nine hours	13 35
	E. C. Gitchell, team and feed	3 75
	A. Greenwood	75
	Three hundred and forty-six feet of plank	3 46
	Poles for bridge	27
Sept.	Self, eighty-four hours, men and team one hundred and fifty-four hours	35 75
	E. Chamberlain	2 80
	W. W. Chamberlain	1 50
	Stone mason	6 75
	Plank and spike	47
Total		<hr/> \$328 78
Sold plank		1 89
		<hr/> \$326 89
Orders given May 29	\$91 65	
" " June 26	61 90	
" " July 31	73 55	
" " Sept. 28	48 75	
" " Oct. 30	51 04	
		<hr/> \$326 89

F. W. SCOTT.

1897

Apr.	Self, fifty-one hours, man, thirty-nine hours, team, thirty-six hours	\$20 85
	James Nutter	90
	J. Daniels	30
	L. G. Thayer, nineteen hours	2 85
	John Whitney	38
	Mr. Muir	3 60
May	Self, sixty-three hours, man, ninety-one hours, team, sixty-four hours	36 75
	Merrill Tewksbury, thirty hours	4 50
	L. G. Thayer	1 50
	H. Thayer	90

June	Self, twenty hours, men, five hundred and fifty-seven and one-half hours, team, four hundred and seventeen and one-half hours	178 13
	Merrill Tewksbury, one hundred and twenty-one and one-half hours	18 23
	James Nutter	75
	Lee Shaw	1 50
	John Whitney	2 63
	F. Burbank	75
	Warren Whitecomb	4 50
	Hibbard Thayer	3 00
	Charles Johnson	30
	Harry Tewksbury	4 35
	Chamberlain, repairs on road	75
	Repairs on machine	2 60
	Axle oil	25
	L. G. Thayer	75
	W. C. Young	50
	Repairs on road machine and scraper	1 20
July	Self, one hundred and nineteen hours, men, two hundred and thirty-one hours, team, one hundred and ninety-eight hours	86 50
	Merrill Tewksbury	5 48
	T. Stevens	60
	George Rowe	5 25
	John Whitney, ten hours	1 50
	Wm. Burnham	3 22
	H. Thayer	90
	Wm. Young and man	3 00
	W. H. Whitecomb, forty-five hours	6 75
	Ora Tewksbury	1 50
	Frank Eastman	75
	Orrin Eastman	75
	David Wiley	30
	Mr. Slicer	1 12
	L. B. Aldrich	2 00
Aug.	Self, fifty-nine hours, men, two hundred and six hours, team, one hundred and sixty-seven hours	71 16

Aug.	Henry Hadley, twenty-eight hours	4 13
	John Whitney	60
	Merrill Tewksbury	5 62
	George Rowe	4 50
	Karl Aldrich	2 26
	Amos Wilson	1 50
Sept.	Self, eighty-five hours, men, three hundred and fifty-seven hours, team, two hundred and twenty hours	109 85
	Harry Tewksbury	1 80
	Karl Aldrich	3 00
	Merrill Tewksbury	1 80
Oct.	Self, one hundred and forty-seven hours, men, three hundred and seventy-nine hours, teams, two hundred and sixteen hours	119 15
	Merrill Tewksbury, one hundred and twenty-five hours	18 75
	George Rowe	12 00
	Will R. Wright	5 00
	L. M. Hibbard	2 00
	Repairs on machine	1 00
	L. B. Aldrich and team	4 00
	J. Nutter, logs	2 00
	L. B. Parker, one thousand and six feet of plank	9 05
Nov.	Self, one hundred and eighty-two hours, men, five hundred and ninety hours, teams, four hundred and ten hours	187 85
	Merrill Tewksbury, eighteen and three-fourths days	27 37
	George Rowe, eighteen and three-fourths days	28 12
	T. Stevens, sixteen and one-half days	24 67
	T. Elliott, nine hours	13 50
	Ora Thayer, seven days	10 50
	J. A. Noyes	4 05
	Wm. R. Wright	2 50
	J. Nutter, repairs	1 30
	W. R. Wright, use of derrick nineteen days	19 00
	William Burnham	6 96

Nov.	Fifteen posts	2 10
	Work on Gale road	7 05
	Carting gravel	1 00
	G. A. Clark	60
Dec.	Self, one hundred and fifty-three hours, men	
	four hundred and sixty-two hours, teams	
	five hundred and thirty hours	174 50
	Ora Tewksbury, ninety-five hours	14 25
	James Nutter, labor and stone drag	4 00
	L. Elliott, gravel	1 50
	W. R. Wright, use of derrick fourteen days	14 00
	T. Stevens, eleven and one-half days	17 25
	George Rowe, nineteen and one-half days	29 25
	John Whitney, six day	9 00
	Ora Tewksbury, seventeen and one-half days	26 25
	Charles Foster, nine days	13 50
	T. Elliott, nineteen and one-fourth days	28 75
	D. Carr, nine and one-half days	14 25
	Guy Southard, four days	6 00
	A. S. Bowen, four days	6 00
	J. Nutter, repairs	5 45
	B. W. Clark	90
	H. Thayer, wire	2 20
	G. W. Mann, 6 1-4 M hemlock at \$4.00, and 1 1-3 M hardwood at \$2.00	\$27 67
	C. A. Cummings, hemlock and hardwood	4 29
	George Chandler, hardwood	85
	681 pounds spike at two cents	13 62
	Twenty hemlock posts	3 00
	Hammer handle and monkey wrench	50
Jan.	T. Elliott	75
	Rendrock used on road	1 00
	Man and team, snowing bridge	50
	J. Daniels, lumber	1 50
	L. J. Southard	1 20
	Harry Tewksbury, repairing and breaking out roads	24 50
	George Carr	3 71
	D. Carr	1 09
	Will Elliott	22
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		\$1,593 78

Orders given, May 29	\$ 71 13
“ “ June 26	203 14
“ “ July 31	138 07
“ “ August 17	89 77
“ “ September 25	90 00
“ “ October 30	199 40
“ “ November 29	336 57
“ “ December 27	431 23
1898	
Orders given, February 14	4 95
“ “ February 15 to Harry Tewksbury	29 52
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	\$1,593 78

Repairing of the abutments of Wilson bridge and road at bridge	\$110 26
Repairing Bunga road near Cross' meadow	404 00
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This is included in the above bill	\$514 26

G. A. CLARK.

1897

February and March

	Six and one-half days, cutting ice, breaking roads and putting in slew logs	\$ 12 95
Apr.	Self, fifty hours, men, seventy-one hours, teams, sixty-three hours	28 60
	N. B. Foster	2 00
	Hazen Chase	1 50
May	Self, ninety hours, men, three hundred and eighty-eight hours, teams, two hun- dred and seventy-six hours	127 35
	A. Davis	75
	D. Libby	1 50
	S. Ross	3 90
	D. G. A. Foster	1 00

June	Self, seventy-one hours, men, two hundred and fifty hours, teams, two hundred hours	82 70
	Fred White	4 50
	I. E. Deming	1 50
	A. H. Dearth	75
July	Self, one hundred and twenty-four hours, men, three hundred and ten hours, teams, two hundred and thirty-five hours	108 80
	Fred White	3 00
	Milo Waters	3 00
	H. Chase	4 50
	F. Chase	1 50
	A. Chase	1 00
	Ellwood Chase	1 00
	Myrto Sawyer	1 00
	J. D. Child, men and team	5 00
	H. Jones, men and teams	6 75
	A. J. Lang and team, two days	7 00
	A. H. Dearth and men	4 80
	George Howland, two days	3 00
	A. Davis	1 50
	E. Kentfield	2 00
Aug.	Self, twenty-six hours, men, seventy-nine, and team	22 45
	A. H. Dearth	13 00
	J. Minot,	2 00
	I. E. Deming	1 00
	Fred White	45
Sept.	Self, seventy hours, men, one hundred and ninety hours, teams, eighty hours	54 45
	Fred Scott and team, five and one-half days	34 00
	I. E. Deming	3 00
	H. Chase	75
Oct.	Self, sixty-two hours, men, one hundred and eighty hours, teams, ninety-three hours	53 85
	A. Davis	2 00
	O. Chase	4 95
	Fred White	3 45
	A. H. Dearth	2 75

Oct.	I. E. Deming	47 40
	M. A. Weeks	1 20
	Lee Shaw	45
	J. Hadlock, casting for machine	6 00
	Express	60
Nov.	Self, twenty-nine hours, men. one hundred and eight hours, teams, sixty-four hours	31 60
	Will Thayer	65
	D. Libby	3 35
	Abial Reed	3 00
	Ned Davis	45
	Will Clough	1 25
	Edwin Blake	2 00
	Hazen Chase	1 50
	C. D. Atwood	50
	John Haddock	6 00
	C. W. Clark	25
	Thirty-one loads of dirt at twelve cents	3 72
	J. Drury, repairs	1 75
	A. H. Dearth	50
Dec.	Self, fifteen hours, men, fourteen hours, teams, seventeen hours	7 65
	D. Libby	1 35
	Fred Valley	75
	H. Chase	1 50
Jan.	Self, thirty-eight hours, man, thirteen hours, team, thirty-three hours	14 50
	D. Libby	75
	Will Austin	75
	I. E. Deming	2 25
	J. Minot	2 25
	H. Chase	75
	E. Miles	5 40
	F. Sawyer	1 50
	M. C. Marston, thirty loads of dirt	3 00

\$742 52

Orders given, April 3	\$ 12 95
.. .. May 29	166 60
.. .. July 31	253 30
.. .. August 28	38 90
.. .. September 25	92 20
.. .. October 30	79 65
.. .. November 29	56 52
.. .. December 27	11 25
.. .. February 14	31 15
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	\$742 52

The following was dictated by the selectmen:

“Bills caused by flood. We believe if nothing out of the ordinary had occurred, that \$1,200 would have kept your roads in as good repair as they have usually been in.

“But after spending about \$2,000, which is entirely distinct and separate from the ordinary expenses, you must add the ext a cost which naturally comes from the large washouts, which we have had in the past year. In comparing your expenses with the adjoining towns, on account of the above mentioned washouts, we think you should feel very much pleased that the bills are as small as they are, although they are large enough as it is.

“The cost of repairing the road and stone work at Wilson bridge on Bunga road of \$110.06, and on Bunga road near Cross meadow of \$404, should be paid by the Fall Mountain Paper Co., also the cost of repairing Swiftwater bridge of \$402.94. We have no doubt but what they will do so, as it was caused by their logs.”

Miscellaneous Highway Bills.

B. A. Stymest, nails	\$ 2 58
G. E. Wilson, labor	1 35
Geo. H. Chandler, repairing road on Sawyer Hill	98 50
D. G. Forsyth, labor	5 00
Geo. A. Clark, building new road near B. W. Clark	100 00
G. E. Powers, labor	4 50
H. S. Lang, repairing road near W. Clough's	95 00

H. S. Lang, building road on mountain above H. Jones	63 00
H. S. Lang, repairing road near J. Minot	3 00
George Chase, lighting Bath bridge	44 00
Frank Burbank, keeping lantern hung at starch factory bridge	3 75
Amos Wilson, repairing highway	20 00
A. H. Dearth, building fence on new road	12 25
T. B. Southard, labor	10 25
Samuel Ross, labor	5 40
Harry Woods, labor	12 20
J. G. and H. Chamberlin, breaking roads, etc.	4 00
E. Kentfield, labor	5 00
J. B. Hibbard, breaking out sidewalks	5 50
J. A. Noyes, building new road	35 00
Richard Sawyer, repairing road at Swiftwater	90 00
A. H. Burton, plank, logs and gravel	5 00
E. Getche.l. labor	2 25
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	\$627 53

Repairing Swiftwater Bridge.

B. F. Sawyer, labor	\$ 1 50
F. L. Sawyer, labor	1 50
F. P. Moulton, labor	8 00
M. R. Tewksbury, labor, and cash paid out	88 67
Bath Lumber Company, lumber	60 00
J. Nutter, iron for bridge	87 66
F. W. Scott, labor	20 70
William Young, labor, and cash paid out	113 50
Lumber	5 19
L. H. Parker, lumber	10 22
A. Conant, logs	6 00
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	\$402 94

Repairing Other Bridges.

George W. Webber, Bath bridge pier	\$150 00
F. L. Sawyer, Poor's bridge	2 25
A. J. Woods, Poor's bridge	2 60
F. P. Moulton, Poor's bridge	7 40
E. C. Gitchell, stone-work on bridge near Albert Dearth's	100 00
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	\$262 25

Lumber.

Lumber used on highways and bridges not otherwise specified.

T. B. Southard	\$ 57 08
Bath Lumber Company	140 38
A. Conant, logs	6 00
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	\$203 46

Land Damage.

D. S. Reed, crossing field	\$15 00
Mrs. M. A. Weeks	25 00
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	\$40 00

Water Troughs.

C. D. Atwood	\$ 3 00
T. B. Southard	3 00
J. H. Mitchell	3 00
B. W. Clark	3 00
George Brown	3 00
V. B. Carleton, 2d	6 00
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	\$21 00

Summary of Highway Bills.

Richard Sawyer, agent	\$ 27 91
N. E. Rutledge, agent	326 89
George A. Clark, agent	742 52
F. W. Scott, agent	1,593 78
Miscellaneous, (see itemized account)	627 53
Swiftwater bridge	402 94
Other bridges	262 25
Lumber	203 46
Land damage	40 00
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	\$4,227 28

Town Officers' Bills.

C. C. Foster, auditor, 1897	\$18 00
C. E. Drury, member of Union school board, 1896	20 00
C. E. Drury, member of Union school board, 1897	5 00
H. A. Leighton, selectman	4 00
Jonas Minot, selectman	3 00
George E. Davenport, supervisor	6 00
E. A. Rodiman, supervisor	10 00
A. H. Burton, supervisor	6 00
J. C. Whitney, member town school board	23 75
A. Chamberlain, member town school board	29 10
J. G. Marston, member town school board	12 00
M. R. Tewksbury, selectman	80 00
M. C. Marston, selectman	75 00
Jonas Minot, clerk, Union school district	5 00
W. B. Blandin, member Union school board	5 00
Mrs. Farrand Foster, member Union school board	5 00
H. H. Hall, town treasurer	40 00
H. H. Hall, Union district treasurer	5 00
George E. Davenport, health officer	1 50
C. W. Jackman, town clerk	40 00
R. E. Foster, town district clerk	10 00
	<hr/> \$403 65

C. E. Drury's bill of \$20.00 belongs to last year's school board although paid this year.

A. N. Blandin's bill for services as selectman to Feb. 15, is \$11.00 which comes in next year's account.

Miscellaneous Bills.

A. L. Kimball, painting bridge signs	\$ 2 00
Courier Publishing Co., printing reports	31 30
C. J. Ayer, insurance Bath bridge	45 00
Mrs. E. P. Hutchins, board of selectmen	8 00
B. W. Clark, school money for Landaff	7 75
Ray T. Gile, line between Bath and Monroe	13 00
S. H. Brigham, license for town agent	25 00
Capt. Moses Lang, Memorial day	18 00
Fred M. Leighton, taxes bid off by town	230 48
J. Minot, notices for Board of Health	1 00
V. B. Carleton, surveying cemetery lots and plan of same	6 00
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	\$387 53

Abatements.

F. M. Leighton, collector, 1896	\$49 64
Charles Child, poll tax	1 99
Water troughs	21 00
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	\$72 63

Tramps.

J. W. Minkler, board of tramps	\$3 25
C. W. Clark, board of tramps	2 00
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	\$5 25

Hall and Office.

A. N. Blandin, hall	\$50 00
R. E. Foster, taking down voting booths	1 00
E. B. Mann & Co., inventory and collector's book	2 25
Silsby & Son, order books	4 50
Silsby & Son, town warrants	12
B. A. Stymest, paper and pens	15
Charles Jackman, supplies	1 97
	<hr/> \$59 99

Returning Births, Marriages and Deaths.

C. H. Boynton, M. D.	\$ 75
G. E. Davenport, M. D.	6 50
C. W. Jackman, clerk	6 75
	<hr/> \$14 00

Bath Free Public Library.

J. A. Noyes, money raised for books	\$ 50 00
R. E. Foster, money required by law	60 30
	<hr/> \$110 30

Taxes.

State tax	\$1,005 00
County tax	1,237 89
	<hr/> \$2,242 89

County Charges.

Geo. E. Davenport, M. D., attending A. Cannon	20 25
Crown Brothers, merchandise furnished A Cassidy	2 90
H. F. Deming, goods furnished D. Waterman	2 00
C. W. Clark, carrying D. Waterman to county farm	2 25
E. D. Carpenter, coffin and case for D. Waterman	15 00
J. W. Blair, board of J. C. Whiteher	52 00
O. D. Eastman, M. D., attending Mrs. Lamb	16 00
Howe & Gordon, goods furnished Mrs. Lamb	8 45
J. Mitchell, milk furnished Mrs. Lamb	1 60
W. B. Hayes, care of Mrs. Lamb	10 00
E. D. Carpenter, coffin and robe for Mrs. Lamb	10 50
E. C. Getchell, use of team and digging grave for Mrs. Lamb	4 00
J. Minot, milk	40
	\$145 35

Town Charges.

J. D. Morris, support of Emma Eastman	\$86 21
G. E. Davenport, M. D., attending Emma Eastman	1 00
G. E. Davenport, M. D., attending F. Chase's family	25 00
	\$112 21

Simonds Legacy.

M. A. Weeks, care of Simonds' lot	\$2 00
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Hutchins and Hibbard Legacies.

M. A. Weeks, care of Hibbard lot	\$10 00
M. A. Weeks, care of Bath and West Bath cemeteries (Hutchins' legacy)	38 50
M. A. Weeks, grading Bath cemetery (Hutchins' legacy)	45 60
	\$94 10

Paid Orders of 1896.

No. 194	G. E. Davenport, M. D., for F. Chase and Emma Eastman	\$21 00
351	G. E. Davenport, for Emma Eastman	50
361	G. E. Davenport, returning births and deaths	4 75
365	G. E. Davenport, health officer	1 00
374	B. A. Stymest, supplies	60
381	VanDyke & Lang, abatement	7 00
385	Mrs. A. N. Southard, school board	20 00
		<hr/> \$54 85

Orders Outstanding.

A. H. Burton, No. 523	\$11 00
G. E. Davenport, No. 526	1 00
J. G. and H. Chamberlain, No. 528	4 00
Mrs. E. P. Hutchins, No. 532	8 00
John Marston, No. 534	5 00
J. B. Hibbard, No. 536	5 50
G. E. Davenport, No.	7 50
G. E. Davenport, No. 538	6 50
V. B. Carleton, No. 544	12 00
A. Chamberlain, No. 545	29 40
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	\$89 90

Town Agent's Report.

Receipts.

Received from sales	\$554 05
Amount on hand	96 97
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	\$651 02

Expenditures.

Cost of liquor for 1897	\$340 71	
Unpaid bill of last year	77 94	
Freight	6 40	
Salary of agent	150 00	
License	25 00	
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		\$600 05
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		\$50 97

Inventory of Town.

	Number	Valuation
Polls	287	\$ 28,700
Improved and unimproved lands and buildings		306,324
Horses	392	16,772
Oxen	20	846
Cows	977	19,609
Other neat stock	499	7,096
Sheep	996	2,130
Hogs	20	148
Stock in banks and other corporations in this state		7,198
Money on hand, at interest, or on de- posit		10,200
Stock in trade		19,400
Aqueducts		1,000
Mills and their machinery		9,400
		<hr/> \$428,823
Value of Union school district		\$1,726 66
Amount of taxes levied for all purposes in town		7,852 89
Rate per cent. of taxation for all purposes in town district		1 73
Rate per cent. of taxation for all purposes in Union district		1 99

Respectfully submitted,

C. C. FOSTER, Auditor.

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
OF
The Bath Public Library
FOR THE
YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 15, 1898.

Receipts.

1897		
Feb. 23	Cash on hand	\$ 33 55
May 8	Cash from the Young People's Dramatic club	21 00
Oct. 30	Cash from town, money raised to buy books	50 00
1898		
Jan. 29	Cash from town, money raised in support of library	60 30
Feb. 23	Library fines, Bath village	2 40
	Catalogues sold	60
	Library fines, Swiftwater	14
Total		\$167 99

Expenditures.

1897

Mar. 12	For twenty-five books, DeWolfe, Fiske & Co.	\$ 15 14
	Money order	10
June 6	Freight on books	68
7	Seventy-eight books, DeWolfe, Fiske & Co.	29 20
	Money order	12
	Mucilage	20
July 9	One book of DeWolfe, Fiske & Co.	48
17	Pasting in labels, making record and putting in library, one hundred and four volumes	2 00
Nov. 8	Rebinding eleven volumes of books	3 25
	Money order	05
Dec. 18	Exp ess on library cards	35
20	For five hundred library cards	2 25
	Money order	03

1898

Feb. 1	One book, John B. Alden	40
4	One book, John B. Alden	25
16	One book, C. F. Libbie & Co.	33
17	Six books, F. A. Munsey	1 50
	Five books, Appeal to Reason	2 35
	Money order	03
22	Seventeen books, John B. Alden	12 00
	Money order	10
23	Mrs. Angie Clark, services as librarian, village library, year ending March 8	25 00
23	Mucilage	20
	Stickers for books	15
28	H. F. Deming, services as librarian, Swiftwater branch	5 00
	Thirty-three books, Lee & Shepard	24 19
	Forty-one books, DeWolfe, Fiske & Co.	26 28
	Pasting in labels, making record of and putting one hundred and ten volumes in library	2 00

Postage on letters, catalogues, books, etc., during year	78
Money orders	24
Freight on books, and several other little bills, estimated	2 00
Total expenditure	<u>\$156 65</u>
Balance in hands of trustees	\$11 34

The balance in hands of trustees will be paid out in books and other supplies, as soon as we can make up the list.

There has been 209 volumes added this year, making 797 volumes now in the library. There are 25 volumes of these that were counted in last year's report, but were put in this year, (after February 25, 1897.)

Of these books, the Young People's Dramatic Club gave 46 volumes, State, 3 volumes, and 160 volumes furnished by the town.

The circulation is steadily increasing each year. The whole number of books taken out of the library for the year was 2,132 volumes, against 1,612 last year.

The largest number taken out any one week was 58 volumes, and the least number any week was 26. The average number each week was 41.

The distributing agency at Swiftwater had a very good circulation, better than last year. Agency is still at H. F. Deming's store.

The library in Bath village is at the dwelling house of C. W. Clark. Mrs. Angie Clark is the librarian.

The books have been well used, and are in good condition. We had 11 volumes rebound last summer, and there are a few more to be rebound. Our last order of books are about all of the late books, so our library is "up-to date."

We have made arrangements with the State Librarian, so that our town's people can take books out of the Concord State

Library, by each one paying the expense of getting books to and from Concord. We have a catalogue of the State Library in our library room.

We would recommend that the town vote to raise \$50.00 to buy books with this coming year. We have a nice little library started now of seven hundred and ninety-seven volumes. This has all grown since November 25th, 1893, by the tax payers generosity, with the aid of the Young People's Dramatic club of Bath. We have a library now, so let's keep it growing. You will never miss the money that is raised, for it only amounts to a very little to each tax payer, but it means so much to the library. What better cause is there to work for, than a good moral library to educate your boys and girls?

All of which is respectfully submitted.

JOHN A. NOYES,	} Library
JOHN C. WHITNEY,	
RALPH E. FOSTER,	
	} Trustees

Bath, N. H., February 17, 1898.

I have examined the foregoing report and find it properly receipted and correctly cast.

C. C. FOSTER, Auditor.

School Report.

Books and Supplies.

Town district, books		\$6 05
Union district, books bought in 1896	\$ 9 00	
Union district, express paid on books in 1895, 1896 and 1897	12 55	
Union district, books bought in 1897	26 71	
	<hr/>	\$48 26

Officers' Bills.

Town district, bills paid	\$75 15	
Union district, bills paid	40 00	
	<hr/>	\$115 15

The separate bills of each officer will be found in the town officers list.

C. E. Drury's bill of \$20.00 of last year should be taken out of the Union district salaries, which would leave that district's bills at \$20.00 for 1897.

School Money.

Town district, dog money	\$ 53 30	
Town district, taxes	1,362 02	
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		\$1,415 32
Union district, dog money	\$ 77 36	
Union district, for school purposes	1,415 70	
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		\$1,493 06
Paid bank note		\$1,537 50

Treasurer's Report.

Report of the treasurer of Bath town school district from
March 9, 1897, to February 15, 1898.

RECEIPTS.

1897			
Mar. 9	Balance from A. Chamberlain		\$ 15 87
12	Tuition, Haverhill		45 00
May 8	H. H. Hall, town treasurer, dog tax		40 00
June 12	H. H. Hall, town treasurer		200 00
25	" " "		150 00
July 22	" " "		25 00
Sept. 28	" " "		50 00
Oct. 22	" " "		50 00
Nov. 12	" " "		225 00
Dec. 4	" " "		50 00
1898			
Jan. 19	" " "		100 00
Feb. 15			525 32
	Tuition, Monroe		12 00
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			\$1,488 19

EXPENDITURES.

Mar.	16	Ralph Reed, janitor	\$ 7 50
	17	Mulliken & Davis, school supplies	2 48
	20	Northern Supply Co., lime	2 10
		Guy Chamberlain, janitor	7 50
	16	Harlan Joinson, janitor	4 25
Apr.	9	W. W. Chamberlain, wood	9 00
	26	L. G. Thayer, janitor and boarding teacher	21 75
May	1	J. C. Whitney, cleaning school house	6 00
	3	Nathan E. Rutledge, cleaning school house	2 00
	22	Ernest Burnham, janitor	2 50
June	2	H. E. Reed, cleaning school house	2 00
	12	Woodsville Loan & Banking Co., note	75 00
		Woodsville Loan & Banking Co., interest	1 13
	24	Cora Wylie, teaching	49 50
	28	Carrie M. Johnson, teaching	52 50
	28	Nell T. Lang, teaching	49 50
		Annie M. Blake, teaching	49 50
		Farrand Foster, teaching	52 00
		Hattie M. Taylor, teaching	31 50
		Harry Woods, board	18 00
July	22	Joseph Daniels, wood	4 00
Aug.	30	Raymond Howland, janitor	2 25
Sept.	20	George Chandler, moving stove	1 25
	25	J. M. Nutter, wood	2 00
	30	J. C. Whitney, school house expenses	4 00
		E. H. Lothor, stove	9 00
Oct.	12	Bernie Thayer, janitor	2 25
	26	Nell T. Lang, teaching	44 00
Nov.	11	Grace E. Sullivan, teaching	40 00
	25	J. C. Whitney, teaching	70 00
	30	H. H. Jones, wood	2 25
Dec.	3	Edwin Dick, board	25 00
	13	A. Chamberlain, supplies	2 58
		Ada Burbank, teaching	55 00
1898			
Jan.	6	N. E. Rutledge, cleaning school house	2 00
		Mulliken & Davis, stovepipe	1 00
		Beulah Butler, teaching	5 50

Feb. 12	Ira Thayer, janitor	7 25
15	Harry Tewksbury, wood	8 25
	J. C. Whitney, teaching	70 00
	J. M. Nutter, wood	2 00
	H. F. Deming	9 39
	M. C. Marston, tuition	9 00
	John A. Noyes, wood	3 50
	Raymond Howland, janitor	3 00
	George Howland, tuition	9 00
	John D. Child, tuition	15 00
	Farrand Foster, teaching	49 50
1897		
Nov. 10	Carrie M. Johnson, teaching	57 50
24	Hattie O. Harris, teaching	60 50
1898		
Feb. 18	Path Lumber Co., lumber and shingles	21 95
19	Gertrude Hastings, teaching	55 00
	W. E. Clough, wood and cleaning school-house	13 50
	G. E. Poor, janitor	7 50
	Ralph Reed, janitor	7 50
	Nell T. Lang, teaching	69 00
	Ellsworth Blair, janitor	7 50
	E. H. Everett, wood	7 50
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		\$1,211 13
	Balance due the district	277 06
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		\$1,488 19

JOHN D. CHILD, Treasurer.

I have examined the accounts of the school treasurer and find them properly vouched and correctly cast.

RALPH E. FOSTER, School Auditor.

Bath, N. H., February 15, 1898.

Report of the School Board.

Schools have been maintained in the following districts:

NUTTER DISTRICT, NO. 2.

Spring term, nine weeks: number of pupils, eight; average attendance, seven; roll of perfect attendance, four; wages per month including board, \$22.00. Cora Wyllie, teacher.

Fall term, ten weeks: number of pupils, eleven; average attendance, ten; roll of perfect attendance, one; conduct, one hundred; wages per month including board, \$22.00. Ada M. Burbank, teacher.

Winter term, nine weeks: number of pupils, sixteen; average attendance, fifteen; roll of perfect attendance, four; conduct, ninety; wages per month including board, \$22.00. Farrand Foster, teacher.

WEEKS' DISTRICT, NO. 4.

Spring term, nine weeks; number of pupils, twelve; average attendance, ten; roll of perfect attendance, four; conduct, eighty-six; wages per month, including board, \$22.00. Hattie M. Taylor, teacher.

Fall term, ten weeks; number of pupils, twelve; average attendance, eleven; roll of perfect attendance, two; wages per month, including board, \$24.00. Grace E. Sullivan, teacher.

Winter term, ten weeks; number of pupils, ten; average attendance, nine; roll of perfect attendance, two; wages per month, including board, \$22.00. Gertrude Hastings, teacher.

HIBBARD DISTRICT NO. 5.

Spring term of nine weeks; number of pupils, eight; average attendance, six; roll of perfect attendance, two; wages per month including board, \$22.00 Nell T. Lang, teacher.

Fall term of eight weeks; number of pupils, seven; average attendance, seven; roll of perfect attendance, three; wages per month including board, \$22.00. Nell T. Lang, teacher.

Winter term of twelve weeks; number of pupils, seven; average attendance, seven; roll of perfect attendance, three; wages per month including board, \$23.00. Nell F. Lang, teacher. This is the ninth successive term that Miss Lang has taught this school, to the perfect satisfaction of all, both parents and scholars.

CARBEE DISTRICT, NO. 9.

Spring term, nine weeks; number of pupils, sixteen; average attendance, thirteen; roll of perfect attendance, ten; conduct, ninety-five; wages per month including board, \$22.00. Carrie M. Johnson, teacher

Fall term, ten weeks; number of pupils, sixteen; average attendance, fifteen; roll of perfect attendance, ten; conduct, ninety-five; wages per month including board, \$23.00. Carrie M. Johnson, teacher. This is the seventh term that Miss Johnson has taught this school and she has given perfect satisfaction to all.

Winter term, ten weeks; number of pupils, fourteen; average attendance, twelve; roll of perfect attendance, none; conduct, ninety-three; wages per month including board, \$22.00. Lewis H. Polard, teacher. Owing to sickness the roll of perfect attendance is not as good as in former times.

SAWYER DISTRICT, NO. 11.

Spring term, nine weeks; number of pupils, eight; average attendance, five; roll of perfect attendance, 1; wages per month, including board, \$22.00. Annie M. Blake, teacher.

Fall term, twelve weeks; number of pupils, twelve; average attendance, ten; roll perfect attendance, none; conduct, ninety-seven per cent.; wages per month, including board, \$22.00. Hattie C. Harris, teacher,

SWIFTWATER DISTRICT NO. 12.

Spring term of eight weeks: number of pupils, twenty-eight; average attendance, twenty-four; roll of perfect attendance, eight; wages per month including board, \$26.00. Farrand Foster, teacher.

Fall term of ten weeks: number of pupils, twenty-seven; average attendance, twenty-five; roll of perfect attendance, ten; wages per month including board, \$28.00. J. C. Whitney, teacher.

Winter term of ten weeks; number of pupils, twenty-six; average attendance, twenty-four; roll of perfect attendance, eight; wages per month including board \$28 00. J. C. Whitney, teacher.

All of which is most respectfully submitted.

A. CHAMBERLAIN.	}	School Board
J. C. WHITNEY,		of
J. G. MARSTON,		Bath.

I have examined the accounts of the School Board and find them properly vouched and correctly cast.

RALPH E. FOSTER, School Auditor.

Bath, N. H., February 15. 1898.

Births Registered in the Town of Bath, N. H., for the Year Ending December 31, 1897.

Date of Birth.	Name of Child (if any.)	Sex	Color.	Living or Still-b'n	No. of Children 1st, 2d, etc.	Father's Name	Mother's Name	Residence	Father's Occupation	Father's Birthplace.	Mother's Birthplace.	Father's Age	Mother's Age
Mar.	4 D'n'd T France	M	w	L	3	Win. France	Annie Stocks	Bath	Clergyman	England	England	35	33
"	11 Laura E W'd'd	F	"	"	1	Hervey L Woodward	Elizabeth M Oglesby	"	Teacher	Webster	Brit River, Ct	27	25
"	"	F	"	"	4	Fred Chase	Maggie Hazelton	"	Mill hand	Bath	Plats'rg, N Y	43	38
"	"	F	"	"	1	Merrill Tewksbury	Carrie Young	"	Miller	"	Benton	27	26
Apr.	31 George Clark	M	"	"	1	Henry J Field	Mary Hubbard	"	Farmer	W Derby	"	22	24
"	24	"	"	"	1	Eugene C Clark	Myrtle Prescott	"	Clerk	Haverhill	"	30	26
June	6	F	"	"	2	Fred D White	Clara B Webster	"	Mill hand	Newbury, Vt	Newbury, Vt	27	25
"	13	M	"	"	2	James Gormley	Emily Cannon	"	Farmer	Maine	Bath	28	20
"	27	F	"	"	2	Thomas E Stevens	Martha Lawson	"	Mill hand	Vermont	New Hamp	38	32
July	7	F	"	L	2	David S Libbey	Ellen S Chase	"	Laborer	New Brunw'k	"	26	19
"	11	"	"	"	1	B B Gale	Jennie M Derby	"	Farmer	Bath	Leicester	27	29
Aug.	5	M	"	L	1	Peter C Kentfield	Annie B Fuller	"	"	"	Clinton, Me	25	19
"	26	M	"	"	2	Alfred A McKnully	Katherine Shea	"	Laborer	Danville, P Q	Clinton, Me	37	32
"	28	F	"	"	3	Harvey E Lock	Ellie M Smith	"	Farmer	Bath	Lisbon	21	20
Sept.	14	F	"	"	5	John C Whitney	Blanche G Clarke	"	Teacher	Haverhill	Lynn	34	34
"	27	F	"	"	3	Stephen Hubbard	Mary St Clair	"	Farmer	Bath	Haverhill	30	36
"	14	M	"	"	6	Charles W Johnson	Isabel M Reed	"	"	Richford, Vt	Canaan	29	28
Oct.	27	M	"	"	3	William Carr	Emma P Aldrich	"	"	Bath	Landaff	33	35
"	20	"	"	"	3	Enoch C Dearth	Flora M Weeks	"	R R Conductor	"	Bath	32	37
Nov.	30	F	"	"	2	Clarence E Bailey	F Lillian Chamberlin	"	Mill hand	"	Ryegate, Vt	29	27
Dec.	7	F	"	"	2	Fred A Valley	Ellen L Cannon	"	Laborer	"	Bath	26	23
"	16	M	"	"	1	David Wylie	Corra M Burnham	"	Farmer	Wills Rv'r Vt	Haverhill	40	36
"	22	"	"	"	2	Stephen J Burton	Maud Hubbard	"	"	"	Glorw'd, Ms.	27	24
"	"	"	"	"	"	Harry Tewksbury	Audie Huntton	"	"	"	Bethlehem	25	27

Marriages Registered in the Town of Bath, N. H., for the Year Ending December 31, 1897.

Date of Marriage	Place of Marriage.	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride.	Residence of each at time of Marriage.	Age in Years		Occupation of Groom and Bride.	Place of Birth of each	Name of Parents.	Occupation.	Condition.	Name, Residence and official Station of person by whom married.
				Male	Female						
Feb. 28	Woodsville	Willie H Greenwood	Bath	20	w	Farmer	Bath	Adol'us Gre'nw'd	Farmer	1	Rev P S Cab'll Woodsville
		Odile Boisvert	Stenfall, Can.	22		Housekeeper	Stenfall, Can.	Sophia Newell Gideon Boisvert	"	"	"
Sept. 1	Bath	Almon C Bugbee	Lakeport	33		Merchant	Lakeport	Julia Paratha Horace O Bugbee	Merchant	2	Rev W P Elkins Bath
		Mary A Dearth	Bath	26		At home	Bath	Julia A Smith Samuel E Dearth	"	1	"
Oct. 9	N Haverhill	Oren H Rollins	"	24		Farmer	"	Jane S Willey Wm. M Rollins	Cooper	"	Rev J R Dinsmore North Haverhill
		Ida S Martin	"	22		Housekeeper	Orange	Mary J Green Harry Martin	"	"	"
Oct. 21	Bath	Harry H Hall	"	29		Ship'ng clerk	Orford	Carry Martin L D Hall	"	"	Rev Wm France Bath
		Williamna Williams'n	"	26		Dressmaker	Shetland, Scot.	Elmira E Noyes Malcolm Winsen	"	"	"
Nov. 17	"	Elmer E Reed	"	35		Farmer	Lynman	Barbra Gourdie David S Reed	Farmer	"	"
		Mary H Clough	"	36		Housekeeper	Bath	Huldah Moulton Jerry Clough Martha Buck	"	"	"

Deaths Registered in the Town of Bath, N. H., for the Year Ending December 31, 1897.

Date—1897.	Name and Surname of deceased.	Age.			Place of Birth.		Sex and Condition.		Occupation.	Place of Birth.		Name of Father.	Maiden Name of Mother.
		Years.	Months.	Days.	Male or Female.	Color.	Single, Married or Widowed.	Father.		Mother.			
Jan. 3	Harry E Weeks	33	1	26	Bath	"	M	M Farmer	Bath	Lyman	John C Weeks	Asenath Smith	
Jan. 21	David M Chase	79	2	22	"	"	"	W Laborer	Rockingham, Vt	Canada	Robert Chase	Elizabeth Waters	
Feb. 18	Fanny M Holt'n	86	5	15	Charleston	Vt.	F	"	Sterbridge, Vt	"	David Holt'n	Betsy Pope	
Feb. 22	Lucy A Ch'm'l'n	67	4	28	Wells River,	"	M	"	Housekeeper	"	"	Waterman Wells	Lucy Sleeper
Feb. 16	Fred Taundran	2	4	"	Bath	"	M	W Laborer	W Derby, Vt	Bath	John Taundran	Lea Bounier	
Mar. 4	Hiram H Brl't	3		3	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	Berj Bartlett	Mary Hibbard
Apr. 9	Will E Morse	44	10	15	No. Haverhill	"	"	M Farmer	No. Haverhill	"	Isaac S Morse	Mary A Glynn	
Apr. 7	"	1	16	"	Bath	"	F	"	Bath	Lancaster	B R Gale	Jennie M Derby	
June 13	"	2	8	"	"	"	"	M Fireman	Vermont	N. Hampshire	T S Stevens	Martha Lawson	
July 6	J'n Taundran Jr	53	8	13	"	"	"	S Housekeeper	Canada	Canada	John Taundran	Lea Bounier	
July 23	Bert W Pebles	1	16	"	"	"	"	"	Bath	Barnet, Vt	Abiel Chamberlin	Janet T Dick	
Sept. 11	Lena D Dow	15	15	"	"	"	"	"	Newport, Ms	Newport, Ms	Jabrel Willis	Sally Morse	
Oct. 20	David F W'm'n	77	0	25	Haverhill	"	M	"	Benton	Plattsburg, N Y	Benj F Hutchins	Ellen B Goa	
Oct. 23	Fristram C W's	5	6	2	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
Dec. 10	Susan W'dman	68	6	2	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
Dec. 10	Frank Nurse	6	11	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
Dec. 23	Samuel D Chase	1	11	"	Bath	"	"	"	"	"	Wilbur Chase	Alice F Chase	

I hereby certify that the above records of births, marriages and deaths are correct,

CHAS. W. JACKMAN, Town Clerk.



